WEATHER REPORT.

Indications for To-Day .- For the southern portion of the South Atlantic and Gulf states, south and west winds, warmer, partly cloudy weather, and stationary ba-

For the Middle Atlantic States, light, variable winds, falling barometer, warmer, cloudy weather, and possibly light snow or

THE WEATHER YESTERDAY was clear and cold. At night it was cloudy and threaten-THERMOMETER YESTERDAY: 6 A. M., 33;

9 A. M., 38; noon, 41; 3 P. M., 43; 6 P. M., 37; midnight, 32. Mean temperature, 374.

ELECTION OF JUDGES.

[Communicated.] RICHMOND, VA., December 17, 1878. Editors of Dispatch: There appeared in your issue of yesterday a communication from John Booker, of the Hampton bar, in vindication of Judge R. L. Montague against the charges which have been brought against him by members of the bar in his circuit. It may or may not be true that Judge Montague has mingled in politics since his election, but this is true: own county into the district-a feat which we venture to say has never had a parallel

in Virginia politics. Judge Montague was a member of the Legislature when elected, and did not reside in the circuit at the time, but declared his purpose to move into the circuit after he should be elected. The Constitution re-Tabb and ex-Judge Lacy were candidates for the position, and were recommended by the bar and the people in their respective sections of the circuit. Judge Montague did not move into the circuit, but marked Williamsburg on his satchel and came to the next session of the Legislature, and without active opposition, except from the member from Northumberland. Mr. Betts, now of and the "substantial"—the furs, the cloaks, the Senate, had Middlesex and Mathews the gloves, etc.; ladies' cuffs, collars, and added to the circuit, with Gloucester lying handkerchiefs. In short, Mr. Meyer has a between. Judge Montague has not given satisfaction to the bar of the circuit proper Try Meyer's in your rounds. in any locality, and this is well known; nor to the people in any part of the circuit. I do not speak for the added counties of Middlesex and Mathews, not contiguous to the

circuit and in a different section of the State. No truthful man can deny that Judge Montague has been guilty of every act charged in the memorial addressed by the Hampton bar to the General Assembly. are met by John Booker with a general denial. Judge Montague does talk to people interested about suits in his court both before and after evidence, hears unsworn testimony in his room, and every lawyer who will speak out knows it to be true. It is a fact that Judge Montague has waged against lawvers in his circuit who opposed his reelection a cruel and relentless war from the vantage-ground of his official place.

We ask of the General Assembly nothing but a fair and impartial judge, and we do not think the time has come in the history of this old State when the Legislature will deliberately, after warning and testimony. put upon us such a cruel wrong as to fasten on us a judge so relentless and so unfit for

the high position.

It is a little singular that in the article of Mr. Booker he has made no reference to the charge of excessive mileage which was preferred by the same parties against Judge Montague nearly twelve months ago, and which, if untrue, he has had ample time to disprove, and which it would appear any man conscious of right and integrity would demand should be fully and officially inves-

tigated. The record shows that Judge Montague collected of the State \$634.40 in 1877, when it was abundantly proved before a committee of the Legislature last winter that he was entitled under law to draw only \$220.80-too much by \$413.60. Judge Montague had notice of the charge and of the investigation. The committee recommended that the law be changed and judges hereafter required to swear to their mileage accounts. See House Journal of 1876-'77. If he be a peace-maker, it is one of a very novel character. This is true, and neither

John Booker nor any other of Judge Montague's friends can deny it, that though a member of the Church, whose teachings are that we shall forgive our enemies, yet when opposed in his aspirations for office he thought himself justified in refusing his hand and turning his back upon a member of his bar who in a man!y and open way had simply laid before the Legislature facts of which that body ought to be informed before reelecting him to this high office. Now, I ask can the Legislature, while the State is thus groaning under a burden of debt, the settlement of which is engrossing all minds, approve and endorse the conduct of one who has taken advantage of a supposed legal technicality to deplete her treasury and continue in this office, to which should attach not only the greatest purity, but also the greatest impartiality; one who refuses to the members of his bar the cold courtesy of a formal recognition if they dare to say a word against his official S. W. ARMISTEAD, for self and A. S. Segar, William S. Howard, and G. M. Peek.

The public should not hasten to eufold in its loving embrace those temperance reformers the main staple of whose discourse decent man into 2 brutal, wicked wretch. It may make him a fool for the time, and put him up to many wild absurdities; but the man who is a rough, a scoundrel, a bully, a who-beater, or a rude and ribald blasphemer when in ingly spread out to view a new let of steel his cups, may be pretty safely set down for a bad fellow when sober. The "reformer' who glories in the vileness of his past life, who loves to recall and dwell upon his mean pretty presents for Christmas. and wicked acts, who is willing to stand up before strangers and recount his various vices, who seems to think his standing will be exasted in proportion to the infamy of his record-such a man, whoever he may be, lacks essential elements of manly character, and should be frozen into silence by cold contempt. Uncharitable as the world is, it will generally forgive the penitent; but it neither has, nor ought to wave, much forgiveness for the man who parades and displays his infamy as a regular business operation .- Washington Post.

"A people brought up to do no work can is to close out his entire stock in that line be whipped by a race of pigmies. That was and confine himself exclusively to trim-the trouble with the South." See here. Jo-mings, notions, and fancy goods. Accept the trouble with the South." See here. Joseph! Who are you calling "pigmies."—

New York Graphic.

Ind Coming in a social organization and give Levi Hexter a call. Felloe, and an excellent after-dinner speak-the store. They carried off a number of the East End, gave their second of the flowers, but in Murray & Lanman's Flothelement of the East End, gave their second them invitation and give Levi Hexter a call. For the store. They carried off a number of the flowers, but in Murray & Lanman's Flothelement of the flowers of the "Sand" color is the latest in Paris for

travelling-dresses. We suppose it is worn with gravel-trains .- New York Herald. Olive Logan says that man existed more

than 600,000 years ago. She used to go to school with him.—Danbury News.

DAILY DISPAICH.

RICHMOND, VA., WEDNESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 18, 1878. VOL. LIV.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

THE SOUL-ABSORBING TOPIC.

AND BUSY TIME.

public attention the value of observing the nence. aspiration inspired by the day.

and festive one, with here and there a little kers of holiday presents. piety and benevolence peering out like J. D. Fry & Co., 1009 Main street (sucviolets and budding roses from a bouquet. Follow him in his continued journey through the streets, which are growing fitting hat, and furs to envelope Christmas gayer and more lively each day, and into and keep it affectionately comfortable. Yes, when first elected to his present position be the stores thronged with busy purchasers. our genial and warm-hearted friend, Captain did not even reside in the circuit, and af- Our injunction to seize the favorable oppor- Fry, who ever greets his visitors with a terwards succeeded in gerrymandering his tunity and make selections from unbroken ing by the advice.

JULIUS MEYER, 603 Broad street.-Let us caterer to public taste and comfort. He is quired the judge to live in the circuit. Mr. a man worthy of note; for he not only possesses the name of the world-renowned Julius Cæsar, but surpasses him, in so much as he has outlived him, and brought happiness to a greater number of his fellow-men. He is therefore, we think, to be ad-Meyer-ed and sought after. Look at his advertisement-his articles in the several departments of the "handsome," the "useful," great many things suited to the season.

E. GATHRIGHT & SON, 16 Governor street, is an enterprising furniture establishment, where the best styles are on hand at low prices. Christmas stimulates the desire for good furniture and that indescribable satisfaction afforded by a comfortable arm-chair before a bright fire. Gathright has the thing for making the house cheerful and

bright. W. C. SMITH, No. 400 Broad street .-Here we have boys' wagons, carriages, wheelbarrows, velocipedes, hobby-horses, sleighs, &c.; toys of every sort, dolls, and doll-furniture, etc., etc. Smith's is a place doll-furniture, etc., etc. Smith's is a place to enrich the eyes of children. How very much happier the children of these days should be than those of days long past, when they had no such vehicles as now afford the means of pleasure to our little friends. There were no boys' wagons, or wheelbarrows, or sleighs. Boys then slided down the hill on planks, and had a rough time of it. The best horse of the day was the stick with a feather stuck in the end. The rider straddled him, and all his capers were cut by the rider himself. Such as the "Dapple Gray" that now rocks the young chevalier was not known. Indeed, boys, you do not know what blessings you enjoy, and we tell you to make the most of them. Go it, Smith has excellent things for you. D. & E. MITTELDORFER, 527 Broad street. A house of high standing in the commu-

nity, where we found, just placed on exhibition, a large stock of dolls and fancy articles for the holidays, and these were being offered at such low prices as to astonish every one. Now, mind you, Messrs. D. & E. Mitteldorfer proclaim that their low prices will "astonish every one"; and as these gentlemen mean what they say, you should go and be astonished. They have besides, cloaks, carpets, lap-robes, beaver shawls, black cashmeres, and other useful articles too numerous to mention. Examine their

stock. You will find it to your advantage. WM. IRA SMITH, 1115 Main street .- What a world of wonders this is. Here have we been writing all this time with our old friend Smith staring us full in the face, and did not recognize him. Indeed, it is not surprising, seeing that he has betaken to himseif "a new feature." Yes, this well-known clothier, who has had a great run in his line of business in this city for years, and who is always enterprising, always go-ahead, has discovered the secret of improving the habits of people with the use of the hammer. With the assistance of Mr. E. B. Cook, the veteran auctioneer, he distributes comfortable suits of clothing to the large crowds hammer.

house in town where things are always done up Browne & Rowelly dispensed. We can guarantee this for our friends at 507 Broad street. In the line of dry goods, shawls, fancy goods, hosiery, and underwear, ladies particularly will find things, in the old-time adventures, but did not know to phrase, "to their taste." There are also jet a minister.—Boston Transcript. and plated jewelry, handkerehiefs, and sets in fancy boxes, which are arranged with such sweet fascination by gentle bands. We should not fail to mention nubias, hoods, is disgusting nurration of their own beasti- and jackets. These consecrated articles ality. There is room to doubt whether any | would never forgive us for omitting them. amount of strong drink ever transforms a The ladies will find a great many admirable

things at Browne & Rowe's. J. W. DENNIS, 912 Main street, no longer keeps sentry at the top of the bill, but has comfortably ensconced himself in his fine store on Main street, where he has temptengravings direct from New York; imported and American chromos, frames, mottoes, panel-pictures, and many useful and

Wood's, No. 419 Sixth street.-A goahead concern that's determined not to be beaten. The proprietor prides himself on in debt." "Oh, those were old debts; I his fine and pure stock of comforts for family use. He offers choice roll butter very cheap, pure sard, cheese, raisins, candies, nuts, dates, figs, oranges, and lemons. Go leterview him and be happy.

LEVI HEXTER, 627 Broad street .- As the proprietor of this very hexterordinary drygoods establishment announces, there is "no humbug" about his manner of doing business. He only desires you to "call and convince yourselves" that he is really offer-

black all-wool cashmeres, table linens, etc., and all very low; he is actually selling kid rloves at 25c., and if that ain't a bargain we rloves at 25c., and if that ain't a bargain we beyond a doubt," please read "Mayor N. beyond a doubt," please read "Mayor N. was right," etc. The compositor that did gen, lemen, and satisfy yourselves.

JOHN H. TYLER & Co., 1008 Main street.—
A venerable house of high standing, rival-

One L. M. Browning has been playing the confidence game extensively in various parts of Indiana. He is evidently a slippery L. M.—Albany Evening Journal.

A yenerable house of high standing, rival-was written in a spirit prophetic of J. & E. Atking of the Broad-Street Methodist church will as written in a spirit prophetic of J. & E. Atking of the Broad-Street Methodist church will as written in a spirit prophetic of J. & E. Atking the considerate method is considerated of the Broad-Street Method and supper in the consideration of the Fredericksburg Railroad Company as to their intention to restore the Potomac boat-lecture-room of the church, where they hope lecture-room of the church was about thirty-six.—New L. M.—Albany Evening Journal.

In the sevident part of the roses will cling round it still, was written in a spirit prophetic of J. & E. Atking the consideration of the Broad-Street Method is church will as written in a spirit prophetic of J. & E. Atking the consideration of the Broad-Street Method is church will as written in a spirit prophetic of J. & E. Atking the consideration of the Broad-Street Method is church will as written in a spirit prophetic of J. & E. Atking the consideration of the Broad-Street Method is church will as written in a spirit prophetic of J. & E. Atking the consideration of the Broad-Street Method is church will as written in a spirit prophetic of J. & E. Atking the consideration of the Broad-Street Method is church will as written in a spirit prophetic of J. & E. Atking the consideration of the Broad-Street Method is church will as writing the pr

youth who are now venerable. One may spend a very pleasant time in Tyler's, viewing the fine imported bronzes and fancy gilt goods just received for the holidays. Here the stocks of superb jewelry, dia-

WHO WE VISITED AND WHAT WE SAW ON monds, watches, trinkets, and silver- and OUR TOUR OF INSPECTION-A FESTIVE plated-ware are beautiful enough to turn a man's head and involve him in a maze of indecision and perplexity. Really the show of new-fashioned and exquisite ornaments We continue our descriptive sketch of the for the fair challenges alike admiration and fine goods and good things suitable to the criticism. A visit to this princely estabseason. We cannot too urgently press upon lishment will convince you of its preemi-

WEST, JOHNSTON & Co., 911 Main streetgreat holiday—its moral and social good efBooks, stationery, and fancy goods. Ah! fects, its adding fervor to the gentle im- here we have a most excellent and enterpulses of piety, its brightening the chains prising firm. If the order of our visits that bind kin and friends together, and its was made with reference to superiority and diffusing a spirit of contentment and peace worth, we should have paid our respects throughout society. What cause could intervene to justify a suspension of the observ- once, else we would tire of a work which ance of one single Christmas? None on earth.

It should never give way to anything. It West, Johnston & Co. offer elegant volumes may be celebrated with more or less ex-penditure of money, according to circum-testimonials of the feelings; but they seem stances, but never omitted. If there be to be making a specialty of fancy goods, and people who can't improve their larder a their stock is one of the finest we have little on that day, and who cannot go to seen. There are shell goods, silver stands, church for want of a dress to wear, hot all pearl and gilt ornaments, Russia-leather ye people, send food and raiment to such, handkerchief-boxes, match-boxes, eigarand let it not be said that anybody, for the and cigarette-cases (most suitable presents want of either, could not indulge a single for a fair damsel to her beau), and ivory and pearl goods, etc. In fine, it is indeed a But this chronicler has no business with place for Christmas presents of the choicest But this chronicler has no business with and most elegant styles. We commend sermonizing. His department is the gay West, Johnston & Co. to the generous ma-

cessors to Redford the hatter) .- Here we find hats, caps, and furs in endless variety. What is more seasonable than the new, wellsmile that is benignity itself, and makes you almost wish that you could buy a hat of stocks was not unheeded, and we notice him every day, has a choice and fashionable that the readers of the Dispatch are profit- stock of these desirable goods. Beauty and grace and youth and gallantry may find n it the most agrecable auxiliaries to their social strategy, and assuredly when stop here and see the varied stock of this they are thus reinforced and made entirerestrain the good sympathies which go from such fountains of personal content out upon the world. These sympathiesthe true, heroic knights employed in relieving sorrow-are sure to do good deeds and bring smiles where tears are dropping. But we are diverting, or rather carrying off the attention of J. D. F. & Co.'s customers. We beg their pardon. Go, sir; go, most estimable lady, we desire that you shall make yourselves presentable and comfortable. Individually, this makes you content; collectively, the customers of J. D. F. & Co. make themselves more than ever at peace with themselves and all mankind. In this way society is greatly the gainer. Friend Fry and his right-hand man Mr. Redford can do all this. Their hats and

> vine of a cold, sleety day. GREEN'S, corner of Fifth and Broad Dolls-wax, china, we can put them together, you know- the Grand Lodge. hobby-horses, carts, sleighs, baby-carriages, &c. What a range for fancy, and what a Royal Arcanum, held at Harmony Hall last place for odd change, children! Doubtless evening, the following officers were elected shall certainly get what we want there. Green is very kind to children.

> needed for presents or to promote a man's or a lady's own taste and comfort. There Wright. are, besides, charms, and albums, and chromos; and for the pious the prayer-books and good books are quite numerous. Va- son's Hall on the night of the 17th, the folrious fine and gilded editions are to be had lowing officers were elected: T. H. Roberts,

> pleasure to buy. in his B-." Now, that may B or not B, as it | master exchequer; P. C. S. H. Bowman, may B; we can't pretend to analyze his master of finance; P. C. C. F. Danforth, exact state of B-ing, but we do know that he has a large amount of it done up in bracket-saws, skates, tool-chests, platewarmers, fluting-machines (don't get uneasy, they are not of the blowing kind). knives, razors, etc. All very suitable for holiday presents.

J. B. WATKINS, corner of Eighth and Main streets, has coals that have as much heat in them as any to be found in this world, and, besides, oak and pine wood for the cooking line in Christmas.

Gentle reader, do not grow weary. Our tour of inspection is not yet completed. We have other descriptions with which to re-

gale you. So au revoir. AN INCIDENT AT WHICH BUTLER WILL LAUGH .- [From the New Orleans Times.]-A correspondent directs the attention of the Attorney-General to an old Frenchman who in 1862 received a permit from General Butler to cut wood in the swamp from the convent to Chaimette, and has been cutting wood and selling it ever since. Ownwhich congregate at his store with such a ers of property have been endeavoring generous hand that it amounts almost to a for some time to convince him that gift. Such is the "new feature," and it is his privileges long ago expired by limitabecoming very popular. Try it, and it will tion, but in the mind of this favorite be found that the poorest have it in their of that late military commander his authorpower to be done up new under Smith's ity is still paramount. It is charged that this enterprising individual not only cuts Browne & Rowe, 507 Broad street.—And wood himself, but sells permits to others to here, ladies, we have at last come to the only select from whatever timber they may

> Rev. J. P. Gulliver has been appointed professor in the Andover Theological Seminary. We remember reading some of his adventures, but did not know that he was

choose.

liver was.

And yet that is just what the original Gul-

WASHINGTON, December 17 .- The Senate to-day confirmed the nomination of Colonel John S. Mosby as Consul-General to Hong Kong.

A justice of the peace in a Pennsylvania rural town married a couple the other day. and the groom asked him his terms after the knot was tied, "Well," said the justice, "the Code allows me two dollars." "Then," said the young man, "here's

dollar; that will make you three." "How on earth do you manage to ge along so well? I thought that only three or four years ago you were head-over-heels never pay my old debts." "But your new ones?" "I let them get old."-French

paper. Souvenir of the Exposition by " Cham" Small gentleman appears in luge hat, which engulfs him to his shoulders. His wife: But that hat doesn't fit you

my love. He: That's what I told the man, but he showed me his gold medal, the only one awarded for hats; and what could I do?

Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes has just been elected honorary member of the Carriage-

A western paper apologizes thus: In place of "Mayor N. was tight last evening

LOCAL MATTERS.

THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE-IMPORT-ANT ACTION LAST NIGHT-WHAT THE BOND-HOLDERS HAVE TO EXPECT .- The House Committee on Finance was in session yesterday from 4 P. M. until 8 P. M. considering the various propositions in regard to inviting the creditors and their representatives to a conference with the General Assembly as to the settlement of the

public debt. The proposition of Speaker Allen, pro-viding that the Governor, First Auditor, Treasurer, five members of the Senate and seven of the House of Delegates, should constitute the conferees on the part of the State, was lost, the committee being equally divided.

Mr. Harrison, of Sussex, presented the ollowing preamble and resolution: "Whereas, in the estimation of the General ssembly, it is desirable that such a speedy, just, and final settlement of the public debt should be consummated as will bring the payment of interest assumed thereon within he ability of the Commonwealth; and phereas certain gentlemen representing a arge portion of the holders of the bonds of the Commonwealth have submitted to the General Assembly certain propositions which it is believed will not be acceptable to the people of the Commonwealth; and vhereas this General Assembly is of the belef that the prospect of such a settlement as will be acceptable to both the people of the state and the bondholders will be promoted by an interview between the latter and the

epresentatives of the people; therefore Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the Governor is hereby requested to inform to Lexington. the various creditors who have been in correspondence with the Governor (naming them) that it is the desire of the General Assembly that they and any others of the creditors of the Commonwealth, or their representatives, visit the city of Richmond on the 15th day of January, 1879, for the purpose of meeting in conference the Finance Committees of the two houses for the

purpose aforesaid. Which, on motion of Mr. Harvie, was modified by the adoption of the following resolution:

"Resolved, That no settlement of the public debt of the State can be made, and no treaty can be entered into with the creditors for such settlement, except on the basis of the principles of the bill of the last session entitled 'A bill imposing taxes on real and personal property,' &c., which passed both branches of the General Assemly and was vetoed by the Governor, and hat the rate of taxation prescribed by said bill cannot be exceeded."

The preamble and resolution as so modified was ordered to be reported to the House to-day. There was a full attendance of the com-

nittee, fourteen members being present. OFFICERS ELECTED .- The following officers have been elected by Rimmon Lodge, No. 68, L. O. B'nai Berith, for the ensuing year: M. Rosenbaum, president; Joseph Messinger, vice-president; Rev. M. J. Michelbacher, recording secretary; Julius caps are superb. Their furs are almost di-Straus, financial secretary; Jacob May, treasurer; S. Binswanger, mentor; D. H. streets .- Here, girls and boys, is the store Pyle, assistant mentor; Henry S. Hutzler, Donnelly, Goldsborough, N. C.; J. B. Budfor toys! toys! and in fact everything that | warden; E. Falk, guardian; William Lov- | well, Goochland; Joseph Hershman, Baltimakes Christmas really Christmas to you. enstein, lecturer; William Lovenstein, Levi more; J. R. Hamilton, Jr., Charleston, S. India-rubber; doll- Hexter, N. Ezekiel, H. Gunst, and M. L. C.; J. J. Tuck, Halifax; John Wingo. heads, bodies, and shoes-only think of Straus, trustees; Moses Hutzler, Julius Amelia; S. S. Turner, A. H. Fleming, having the poor things in pieces; but then Straus, and M. S. Block, representatives to Louisa; Somerville Gray, Petersburg; and

At a meeting of Virginia Council, No. 26, you and we will be "broke" in a short for the ensuing term: William T. Allen, time at Green's. No matter, let's go; we past regent; L. R. Reins, regent; J. F. W. Gibson, vice-regent; J. M. Nowlin, orator; William Lovenstein, secretary: W. H. SLEIGHT & HOWARD, corner Broad and Talman, collector; Edward McCarthy, trea-Ninth streets.-This is not a store to be surer; J. R. F. Burroughs, chaplain; R. Slighted in making up an important part of Christmas, whether we consider what are look of the presents or to promote a man's liam T. Allen, M. F. Hudnall, and J. J.

At a regular meeting of Richmond Lodge, No. 14, Knights of Pythias, held in Wilkinhere, and from those from whom it is a chancellor commander; C. W. Bailey, vicechancellor; J. S. Goettinger, past chancel-NOLTING, at 825, says he "has Christmas lor; J. R. Tennant, prelate; J. W. Foster, keeper of records and seal; C. F. Danforth, representative to Grand Lodge. This lodge is composed of excellent material and in a fair way to that success

which has rendered it famous in the past. MORTUARY REPORT .- The following is the mortuary report for the week ending December 14th, compiled from sextons' re-

turns received at the office of the Board of

Health:

Cause of Death: Apoplexy, 1 white, 2 colored-total, 3; asphyxia, 1 white; casualty, 1 white; consumption, 1 white, 2 colored-total, 3; convulsions (infantile), 1 colored; croup, 1 white; fever (scarlet), 1 white; gangrene, 1 white; heart-disease, 1 white; infantile lockjaw, 1 white; liverlisease, 1 colored; marasmus, 1 colored; old age, 1 white, 1 colored-total, 2; puerperal convulsions, 1 colored; unknown, 1 colored. Whole number of deaths in the city, exclusive of still-births, 20. Still-Births: White female, 1; colored males, 2total, 3. Sex and Color: Males, 6 white, 8 colored-total, 14; females, 3 white, 3 colored-total, 6. Age: One day to thirty, 1 white, 3 colored-total, 4; one year to three, 1 white, 1 colored-total, 2; three years to five, 2 white; ten years to twenty, 1 colored; twenty years to thirty, 2 colored; forty years to fifty, 1 colored; fifty years to sixty, 2 white, 1 colored-total, 3; sixty years to seventy, 1 colored; seventy years to eighty, 3 white, 1 colored—total, 4. Condition: Single, 5 white, 7 colored-total, 12: married. 2 white. 2 colored—total, 4; widows, 2 white, 1 colored-total, 3; unknown, ; colored. Nativity: Richmond, 8; other parts of the United States, 8; Germany, 11 Ireland, 3. Locality: Marshall Ward, 2 white; Jefferson Ward, 1 white, 4 coloredtotal, 5; Madison Ward, 3 white, 1 coloredtotal, 4; Monroe Ward, 1 white, 2 coloredtotal, 3; Clay Ward, 2 white, 1 colored-total, 3; Jackson Ward, 1 colored; almshouse 1 colored; penitentiary, 1 colored. By whom Certified: Regular practitioners, 8 white, 8 colored-total, 16; coroner, 1 white, 1 colorep-total 2; Board of Health, 2 colored. COMPABATIVE WEEKLY MORTALITY.

Mean temperature for the week ending December 7th, 47°, 42'; mean temperature or the week ending December 14th, 46°, 00'. Amount of rainfall for week ending December 7th, 0.00 inches; amount of rainfall

for week ending December 14th, 1,80 inches. Population of city estimated at 79,000white, 43,500; colored, 33,700. Rate of mortality of whole population was 13.16 per 1,000 per annum; rate of mortality of white population was 10.33 per 1,000 per annum; rate of mortality of colored population was

16.94 per 1,000 per annum. HARDWARE-STORE ROBBED .- Night before last thieves succeeded in entering the hardware-store of H. W. Baldwin, No. 1543 Main street, by climbing over the wall of the back yard and forcing the lock of the Church Hill, a social organization composed

THE POTOMAC BOATS.—The Board of Public Works, after holding several meetings to consider the potification of the

FIRES YESTERDAY .-- An accidental fire oc-'clock at the residence of Rev. R. N. Siedd, D. D., No. 6 west Grace street, in one of the January 1st. sleeping-rooms, caused, it is supposed, by Damage about \$50. An alarm turned in at

quarters, brought out the up town appa-Yesterday at 5:05 P. M. sparks from the stove-pipe set fire to the roof of the old Marshall-Ward Club-House, corner Twenty-seventh and Marshall streets, now owned by Dr. Crump. An alarm was turned in at custom-house yesterday.

Station 46. Engine-House No. 1, on Twen- The fair being held by the ladies of St ty-fifth street near Broad. Damage trifling.

preparing for their annual masquerade ball at the time of the fire, but their arrangements were not materially retarded. While noticing these fires it may not be are that her Serene Highness will meet with amiss to say that in our account of the re- an enthusiastic reception. cent fire at Messrs. T. C. Williams & Co.'s factory, by a slip of the pen, Steamer No. 5 was omitted in referring to the work of of Jefferson and Franklin streets. the department and another No. substituted. From the concluding portion of the account it was no doubt apparent that the

mistake was probably a typographical error

made in the hurry of setting up the matter

at 5 o'clock in the morning. THE RAILROAD UP THE CANAL TOW-PATH. The Committees on Roads of the Senate and House of Delegates yesterday resumed the consideration of the bill for the sale of the canal to the Richmond and Alleghany Railroad Company, with the view of building a great railread from Richmond to Clifton Forge, along the Valley of James river and

Mr. Lee, chairman of the Senate committee, presided. The sub-committee (Mr. Bocock chairman) to consider amendments not being

prepared to report, the committee rose to meet again this morning. The sub-committee met immediately after the adjournment of the joint committee and | the Chancery Court yesterday. took up the amendments proposed, some of which of an immaterial nature were

adopted. The sub-committee will report to the general committee.

A CONTRIBUTION TO THE FIREMEN.-Mr. James Thomas, Jr., yesterday sent the following letter to the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department: RICHMOND, VA., December 17, 1878.

Captain George A. Ainslie, Chief Richmond Fire Department: Dear Sir,-Enclosed is my check for sev-

enty-five dollars, as a slight expression of my appreciation of the services of the members of your department at the recent fire. Please apply twenty-five dollars to the use of Mr. Dickenson, and the balance as you deem best. Yours very truly, JAMES THOMAS, Jr.,

by R. C. Wortham.

PERSONAL .- Mr. E. Carrington Cabell, who fractured his ankle a few days ago, was suffering very much yesterday. The visitors to the Tobacco Exchange yesterday were R. B. Berkeley, Prince Edward; J. S. Rogers, Buckingham; E. G.

J. M. Kinsey, Montgomery county, Va. SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS, YESTERDAY. Webb and als. vs. Roanoke Navigation Company, from decree of Circuit Court of Halifax county, pronounced on 8th October, 1878. Appeal refused.

Lowenback vs. Switzer. Petition for a rehearing filed. Lightfoot's executor vs. Brown, from the Circuit Court of Culpeper county. Affirmed, Judge Moncure delivering the opinion. the Circuit Court of King George county. Affirmed, Judge Christian delivering the

Washington and Ohio railroad vs. Alexandria and Washington railroad and. als., from the Circuit Court of the city of Alexandria. Affirmed, Judge Staples delivering the opinion.

Shackelford's administrator vs. Shackelford's administrator and als. Put on privileged docket. Frommer vs. The city of Richmond, city of Richmond vs. The Gallego Manufacturing Company, same vs. A. Y. Stokes & Co.

Put on privileged docket. Carter vs. Rogers. From Circuit Court of Loudoun county. Reversed, Judge Burks delivering the opinion. Saunders & Weeks vs. Smith, from the Circuit Court of Floyd county. Reversed, Judge Staples delivering the opinion. Price vs. Terry, trustee. Appeal from

county, pronounced on the 13th April, 1877, and 30th May, 1878. Refused. POLICE COURT, YESTERDAY .- Theopilus Lucas was sent to jail for six months for assault upon Kate Taylor. Robert Pleasants (colored), for burglary

decrees of the Circuit Court of Roanoke

on the premises of Beverly Gray, was committed for the action of the grand jury. J. S. Langston was fined \$5 for cursing policeman. Joseph Baker was sent to prison for one

day for being drunk.

HELP THE ORPHANS .- This evening at 46 o'clock St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum will be open to visitors, and the friends of the motherless and fatherless are invited to call and see them and inspect the institution. as their ability or inclination may suggest. All contributions gratefully received. This the same, and that they do not contain alum evening at 44 o'clock there will be music or any other deleterious substance. and an amusing performance in the exhibition-room by some of the friends of the orphans. All are invited. The asylum is in need of aid. It is a noble charity, and appeals mutely but cloquently to the sym-

vicinity. THE MINSTRELS AT MOZART HALL .- There was a fine audience at Mozart Hall last night | Manufacturers of Dooley's Standard Yeastto witness the performance of Barlow, Wilson, Primrose & West's Minstrels. The company fully sustained their reputation as one of the best troupes in the country. The programme was chaste and amusing, the lokes new, and the singing and dancing as good as has ever been seen or heard in this

city.

The Queen City Quartette are immense. The audience testified their appreciation of the entertainment by long-continued applause. A matinée will be given at 2 o'clock P. M., and the troupe makes its last appearance to-night. THE THEATRE.-Mr. John T. Raymond

and his company played "Uncle Dick's Darling" and "Toodles" before a fine audience last night. The first-named piece is very weak, and even Mr. Raymond's genius could not redeem it. "Toodles," however, was first-rate. Mr.

Raymond kept the house in a roar of laugh-To-night "Caste" and "The Spectre

Bridegroom " will be presented. MASQUERADE.-The Halcyon Club, of

valued at about \$50. In going out they forced their way through the back gate into the alley.

RIDA WATER chemistry has preserved their around the matic essence. It is literally the bottled breath of the most fragrant products of the richest floral region in the world.

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Our large MOVING-EYED DOLL at 75c. is a great gion in the world. sent. The dancing was kept up to a late ... You may break, you may shatter the vase if you

CHURCH SOCIABLE AND SUPPER.—The ladies

NO. 148. BRIEF LOCAL ITEMS .- The transfer-books

surred yesterday morning between 8 and 9 of the bonded debt of the city will be closed Friday, and remain closed until The amount of United States internal a spark falling into a box of kindling-wood. revenue collected yesterday was \$2,153.16. Only one sale of tobacco on 'Change yes

Fire Station 4. Third Police District head- terday; price paid, \$4.10. The sales of loose at Shockoe and Crenshaw's were quite No business of great public interest or importance was transacted in Henrico County

Court vesterday. No entrances or clearances reported at th James church at No. 735 Main street will be The managers of the Halcyon Club were open every night this week.

The sale of reserved seats for "Our Heiress," Friday night, commenced at Wyatt's yesterday morning. The prospects John L. Schoolcraft, Esq., is having a handsome residence erected on the corner

The Supreme Court of Appeals yesterday adjourned until January 6, 1879. Yesterday morning the dead body of colored infant was found in an alley on Monroe street between Broad and Marshall. Coroner Taylor was notified. Yesterday as Mr. Miles Crowdis and lady were driving along Main street near

Twentieth street in a light spring-wagon

one of the axles broke and the vehicle overturned. The occupants were thrown violently out on the cobble-stones and badly bruised about the body. The Governor has refused to pardon Thomas Webb, who was sent to State's prison for three years from Carroll county for unlawful shooting, and Nathan Lee,

for larceny. The coastwise receipts yesterday were iron, coal, and salt. The shipments were coal, granite, ties, and lumber.

sent to jail in Washington county one year

Judge Fitzhugh entered six decrees in There will be a pound gathering at the Seventh-Street Christian church all day tomorrow to receive contributions for the poor. Members and friends of the congregation are expected to respond promptly

and liberally. To-night at St. Alban's Hall General Albert Pike, of Arkansas, is expected to deliver a lecture on the true meaning of the Blue Lodge Symbols and Religious Creed of Masonry." All Master Masons invited to

The monthly sociable of the ladies of Broad-Street Methodist church last night was one of the most pleasant and successful yet given. The bill of fare was very tempting, and the fair lady waitresses all attention. No one can attend their sociable and not come away pleased with himself and with the hospitable, home-treatment received.

Beauregard Lorraine won the medal at the Howitzer competitive drill Monday night, and Alexander Price was presented with a bouquet as second best.

TEMPERANCE BOYS AT WORK IN THE VAL-LEY .- A new division of the Sons of Temperance was instituted in the Valley last night by G. W. P. R. S. Barrett, assisted by William Hancock, G. S.; H. R. Smith, G. Chaplain; and H. A. Atkinson, P. G. W. P., with about twenty-four charter mem-The following officers were elected bers. for the ensuing term: A. B. Tyson, W. P.; William T. Hord, W. A.; James L. Armstrong, R. S.; J. F. Read, A. R. S.; A. C. Hafner, F. S.; R. Valery Freeman, Treasurer; L. R. Combs, Chaplain; William R. Anderson, C.; C. Hagan, A. C.; William Brannan, O. S.; A. F. Adams, I. S.; J. C. Danella, P. W. P.; R. Valery Freeman, Local Deputy Grand Worthy Patriarch. This division is to be known as Jackson Division, No. 200.

THE ERICSSON CASE. - This case was partially heard before Judge Hughes yesterday Grigsby, sheriff, vs. Tayloe and als., from on a plea of the city of Manchester that it is not liable for the damages caused, and that if anyone is it is the Free-Bridge Com-

(From Brooklyn (New York) Eagle, November 16. Bread-Poisonous Baking-Powders Analyzed and Exposed.

An article under this heading, which at neared in the Eagle of Saturday evening last, was sent to us and published as an advertisement. We are personally unacquainted with the facts and do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions contained there Below is the answer of the manufacturers

of Dooley's Yeast-Powder, who claim that they have been injured by its publication: To the Editor of the Brooklyn Eagle: An article appeared in the Eagle of Saturday last, commending the Royal Baking-Powder, and condemning that so long known to the public as Dooley's Yeast-Powder. With your admission to us that the article in question was published as an advertisement, we might let the matter rest as carrying only the weight of a rival in business, leaving a discriminating public to judge, and demanding adequate reparation from the Royal Baking-Powder Company

at the hands of a proper tribunal. In order, however, to show exactly what kind of goods we do put upon the market, whether we vend to a confiding public burtful and injurious articles, " having no higher motive than dollars and cents," we append the following certificate from the eminent Professor Doremus:

[Copy.] BELLEVUE HOSPITAL MEDICAL COLLEGE, NEW YORK, November 15, 1878. This is to certify that I purchased of Mr R. OGDEN DOREMUS, M. D., LL. D.

Professor Chemistry and Toxicology in the Bellevue Hospital Medical College. It only remains for us to add that the powder purchased from Mr. Williamson was pathies of the people of Richmond and not a sample prepared by us for the occasion, but was our regular powder sold him over three months ago. DOOLEY & BROTHER,

or Baking-Powder, 145 Duane street, New York. TO KEFP WARM!!!

ULSTERS, 35; ULSTERS, \$6.50; ULSTERS. \$8: ULSTERS, \$10. OVERCOATS, \$4.75; OVERCOATS, \$5;

OVERCOATS, \$6. EXTENSIVE STOCK. SUPERIOR GOODS. A. SAKS & Co., 1013 Main street.

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THE VERDICT OF THE PEOPLE ANTONI'S CONFECTIONERIES

are the best and the cheapest. RAISINS, for cakes, three pounds for 25 cents. CITRON, 25 cents per pound; three pounds for 60 cents. SEEDLESS RAISINS, 25 cents.

NUTS, assorted, 15 cents. TABLE-RAISINS, two pounds for 25 cents. All FINE CANDIES at reduced prices. Don't wait for the rush. Come one, come all, at

ANTONI'S, The Confectioner, Main street.

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MINNESOTA FAMILY FLOUR at WILLIAM H. TATUM'S, 514 Broad street. FINE LITTLE HAMS low.

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EXTRAORDINARY BARGAINS. They also offer SILKS, SATINS, AND VELVETS, at unprecedentedly low prices. Much can be gained by calling at LEVY BROTHERS' and making your

GOLD WATCHES from \$15 up-half the price WINSTOCK'S. charged elsewhere—at FINEST RUM. Scotch whiskey, and apple brandy. W. D. BLAIR & CO. Pair elegant SOLITAIRE DIAMOND EAR-RINGS

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A substantial pair of Shoes for the little ones. are sensible Christmas presents. You can buy the m at a very low price of HERMAN BOSCHEN & BROTHER, 509 and 511 Broad street.

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PORTFOLIOS, Writing-Desks, and Work-Boxes, ELLYSON & YANCEY. for sale by 1112 Main street.

AUCTION SALES THIS DAY. GRUBBS & WILLIAMS, 3% P. M., commission-er's sale of real estate on Seventeenth. Jay, and Buchanan streets.

. B. COOK. 10% A. M. and 7% P. M., at his store, ogne sale of a large collection of valuable 99-CENT STORE.

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is the place to buy HOLIDAY GOODS from the most complete line in town of FINE and CHEAP VASES, TOILET-SETS.

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DOLLS, from 25c. to \$1.98; DOLL PERAMBULATORS, LAMPS, CHINA and GLASSWARE, HAIR-BRUSHES from 25c. up

COMBS from 7c. CLOTHES-BRUSHES, 35c. up. To close out our PARIAN MARBLE GOODS, I have reduced the price of those sold at 99c. a piece to \$1.25 a pair, and those sold at 99c. a pa to 75c. a pair.

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